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Subject:Sit Rep #103: Freedom Convoy 2022- National Capital Region 2022-01-28 to 2022-02-09

Situation as of 1310hrs on 2022-02-09

Event Overview:

- **Approximately 10 demonstrators** reported to be on **Parliament Hill** at this time.
- **Approximately 40 demonstrators on Wellington St. and in the downtown core.**
- OPS estimate that there are **500 trucks in the downtown core.**
- Other Events:
 - o K Division:
 - Coutts POE: Coutts blockade back in effect since last night 20:00 AB Time. No lanes open. Coutts community and protestors have no issue with RCMP management of the situation so far. Approximately 25 vehicles in both lanes blocking traffic and they have locked themselves in place, in how they parked. Check point 10 (CP10) 160 vehicles currently in place.

Operational Information:

- CIG OSINT observed a video which was shared to the FREEDOM CONVOY 2022 Facebook page (the original video is from the Facebook user **Personal Info.** in which the individual mentions that they appear to be attempting to throw off law enforcement. The individual states: “There’s big rumors flying around this morning that we are going to pick up stakes and head to Toronto. I have one response to that, yes the source is very valid but it’s possible that we’re just going to start playing the same games of organizational chaos and rumors that we’ve been getting from law enforcement [...] maybe we’re starting to throw out some of our own misleading information to keep them on their feet.”. It is possible that the rumors they are referring to are that the group will be headed to Toronto. This rumor began following a **s.37** by **Personal Info.**
- The Canada Unity group has released a “Notice of Formal Withdrawal of MOU by Canada Unity” on their official website^[ii] and Facebook page^[iii]. The group states “it has come to the attention of Canada Unity that the Memorandum of Understanding (herein referred to as MOU) does not reflect the spirit and intent of the Freedom Convoy Movement 2022.
- FREEDOM CONVOY 2022 organizers are expected to hold a press conference today at 1300hrs. The information was tweeted by the organizer **Personal Info.** (Twitter: **@Personal**).

- CIG has observed a tweet by Ontario MPP Randy Hillier in which he shared a notice which states that “Supporters of the Freedom Convoy peaceful demonstration in Ottawa will be providing media availability” at 1600hrs on 2022-02-09. The media availability will take place in the Cartier Room at the Marriott Hotel (100 Kent street, Ottawa). Speakers will include HILLIER, Maxime BERNIER, Dr Roger Hodgkinson. Dr. Paul Elias Alexander and other organizers.
- CIG received reports from CBSA the Convoy/protest continues in Windsor today. All lanes are currently blocked on Huron Church Road WB. Protestors have no plan for departure at this time. CBSA updates indicate the border is temporarily closed. No Canada bound traffic movement at Ambassador Bridge. Outbound traffic to US is open via Wyandotte St., however most commercial traffic is being redirected to Bluewater Bridge in Sarnia. Alternatively, passenger vehicles can still access the tunnel at Windsor/Detroit. Signs updated to encourage U.S. bound traffic to cross at Sarnia, Bluewater Bridge, from Windsor to Hwy 402 in London.

Operational Planning:

- Nil updates at this time.

Protective Clients and Protective Sites:

- Nil updates at this time.

Communications:

- At 1 p.m. Ministers **Blair, Mendicino, Minister and Alghabra** will hold a media availability to provide an update on the ongoing truckers’ situation.
- Also at 1 p.m., **People's Party of Canada Leader Maxime Bernier** will hold a news conference in support of the ongoing peaceful protest in Ottawa, as well as similar protests across the country. He will be joined by doctors representing the Freedom Convoy: Dr. Roger Hodgkinson and Dr. Paul Alexander, as well as Independent Ontario MPP Randy Hillier, and Pastor Henry Hildebrandt (at the Marriott Hotel Ottawa, 100 Kent Street)
- Today the **Ottawa Police will join the media availability hosted by the City’s Media team**, post Council Meeting (per attached advisory). This will act as their daily media availability. The goal going forward, is to host a *daily update to the community and media availability* (Zoom or else) and a fulsome release with charges, tickets, key incidents info. The media availabilities can be on the City’s YouTube [channel](#), [rogerstv.com](https://www.rogerstv.com) [[rogerstv.com](https://www.rogerstv.com)] or RogersTV Cable 22.
- No media requests have been received since the last update.

[ii] https://canada-unity.com/mou/?fbclid=IwAR0mcMC_Nr6iY7IfxFM-6KKsBm6CC3Rw_eGCD21bSadvPmp7aMAWxkrpvSs

[iii] <https://www.facebook.com/CanadaUnity>